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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 1967 PRESS RELEASE BY L. MENDEL RIVERS, CHAIRMAN, HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mendel Rivers (D-S.C.), Chairman of the House Committee on Armed Services, announced today, at a meeting of the Committee, the appointment of a <u>Special</u> Subcommittee on National Defense Posture.

Rivers said that the subcommittee would be instructed, among other things, to make a thorough inquiry into the status of plans for achieving a victory in Southeast Asia, and the ability of our Armed Forces to meet present commitments in Southeast Asia, as well as treaty obligations, including the availability of military equipment and present and projected force levels.

The subcommittee will be composed of the following Members:

Porter Hardy, Jr. (D-Va.), Chairman Charles A. Halleck (R-Ind.)

F. Edward Hebert (D-La.) William L. Dickinson (R-Ala.)

Samuel S. Stratton (D-N.Y.)

A copy of the statement setting forth the complete jurisdiction of the subcommittee is attached.